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SUBJECT: SUMMIT NON-PROLIFERATION EXPERT'S MEETING

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1. SUMMARY: SENIOR FRG FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIALS HAVE INFORMED US ABOUT FRENCH DISSATISFACTION WITH WORK OF JUNE 8-9 MEETING OF NUCLEAR EXPERTS.FRG SHARES FRENCH VIEW ALTHOUGH GERMANS ARE VAGUE ABOUT APPROPRIATE SOLUTION TO PROBLEM. STATE SECRETARY HERMES INFORMED EMBASSY ECON/COMML MINISTER-COUNSELOR THAT HE WILL RECOMMEND THAT FRG FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER RAISE THIS SUBJECT WITH SECRETARY VANCE WHEN THEY MEET BILATERALLY AT THE PARIS OECD MINISTERIAL. END SUMMARY.

2. ON JUNE 15, SENIOR FRG FONOFF OFFICIALS (ASSISTANT SECRETARY LAUTENSCHLAGER, STATE SECRETARY HERMES, AND HERBST, GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE) INFORMED EMBASSY CONFIDENTIAL

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ECON/COMML MINISTER-COUNSELOR THAT FRENCH WERE UNHAPPY WITH RESULTS OF EXPERTS' MEETING IN PARIS. ACCORDING TO FONOFF REPS, FRENCH BELIEVED MEETING HAD SPENT TOO MUCH TIME ON NON-PROLIFERATION ASPECTS AND GAVE TOO LITTLE ATTENTION TO THE FIRST PART OF THE SUMMIT MANDATE, I.E. HOW TO MEET THE WORLD'S NEEDS FOR NUCLEAR ENERGY. GERMAN AMBASSADOR HERBST INSISTED THAT GERMANS

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AND FRENCH HAD COMMON POSITION ON THIS ISSUE.

3. THESE COMMENTS CONTRADICTED EARLIER REPORT BY DITTMANN, FRG REPRESENTATIVE ON EXPERTS" GROUP, WHO HAD CONVEYED RELAXED VIEW THAT PARIS MEETING HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL AND THAT REMAINING DETAILS COULD BE "EASILY" WORKED OUT THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS.

4.

FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF REF A, WE EXPLORED TOPIC FURTHER. OUR CONTACTS CONFIRM THAT FRG SHARES FRENCH VIEWPOINT BUT, IN SPITE OF PERSISTENT EFFORTS, WE HAVE NOT RPT NOT BEEN ABLE TO CLARIFY PROBLEM COMPLETELY NOR TO DETERMINE WHAT SOLUTION GERMANS WOULD FAVOR.

5. ONE POINT IS CLEAR. THE FRENCH -- SUPPORTED BY THE GERMANS -- WISH TO MAKE IT EXPLICIT THAT PARTICIPATION IN THE INFCE IS "UNCONDITIONAL". BY THIS THEY MEAN THAT THE INFCE MUST NOT RPT NOT HAVE ANY EFFECT ON CURRENT NATIONAL PROGRAMS. THIS POINT SEEMS SIGNIFICANT LY DIFFERENT FROM THE DISAGREEMENT WITH FRENCH REPORTED IN PARIS 17135. AS WE READ THIS LATTER CABLE, FRENCH SEEMED TO BE SEEKING TO AVOID A PRIOR COMMITMENT TO ACCEPT THE RESULTS OF INFCE STUDT. AS THE GERMANS INTERPRET THE FRESENT FRENCH VIEW, INFCE WOULD PROCEED CONFIDENTIAL

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ONLY IF PARTICIPANTS WERE FREE TO CONTINUE THEIR CURRENT NATIONAL PROGRAMS WITHOUT REGARD FOR ANY CONSENSUS BEING DEVELOPED AS INFCE PROCEEDED.

6. WE PROBED FOR A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF ALLEGED FRENCH POSITION THAT JUNE 8-9 EXPERTS MEETING HAD NOT ADEQUATELY CONSIDERED FIRST ELEMENT OF SUMMIT MANDATE. FONOFF REPS WERE VAGUE. THEY DID NOT RPT NOT FEEL THAT FRENCH WERE, FOR EXAMPLE, SEEKING A PRIOR ENDORSEMENT OF THE LMFBR AS ONE OF THE ACCEPTABLE TECHNIQUES FOR MEETING THE WORLD'S NUCLEAR ENERGY NEEDS. HOWEVER, FONOFF REPS CONFIRMED THAT FRENCH DID WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT PARTICIPATION IN INFCE WOULD NOT RPT NOT AFFECT THEIR LMFBR PROGRAM.

7. OUR EFFORTS TO EXPLORE THE FRENCH (AND GERMAN) VIEWPOINTS FURTHER SHED LITTLE LIGHT ON THE PROBLEM. FONOFF REPS BELIEVED SUMMIT MANDATE CALLED FOR A "HARMONIZATION" BETWEEN THE UTILIZATION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY BY DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND ANY NECESSARY NON-PROLIFERATION MEASURES. ACCORDING TO FONOFF REPS CANADIAN AND US DELS HAD FOCUSSED ONLY

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ON THE LATTER ASPECT, THUS CREATING AN UNSATISFACTORY "ATMOSPHERE" DURING JUNE 8-9 PARIS MEETING.

8. IN THIS SAME CONTEXT, FONOFF REPS HAD BEEN STARTLED BY NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY ABOUT AN "ALLIANCE FOR SURVIVAL. THEY APPRECIATED OUR CLARIFICATION (STATE 141206).

9. FONOFF REPS RECALLED THE FRG DECLARATION ON NUCLEAR EXPORT POLICY (BONN 10178). IN THEIR VIEW, THE MORI-TORIUM ON REPROCESSING EXPORTS (POINT 4) WAS AN ACT DESIGNED TO FACILITATE MORE DELIBERATE STUDY OF THE NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE WHILE POINT 5 WAS AN EXPRES-SION OF CONCERN THAT US LEGISLATION, FOR EXAMPLE, COULD IMPOSE RESTRICTIONS ON EXPORTS AND THUS PREJUDGE THE RESULTS OF THE INFCE.

10. FONOFF REPS EMPHASIZED THAT CAREFUL CONSULTATION WOULD BE HELPFUL PRIOR TO A SECOND EXPERTS' MEETING.

11: EMBASSYCOMMENT: WE FIND THE FOREGOING DESCRIP-
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TION OF THE SITUATION UNSATISFACTORY BUT WERE UNABLE TO CLARIFY DESPITE REPEATED EFFORTS. WE CONCLUDE THAT FRG IS SUPPORTING A FRENCH POSITION PROBABLY DEVELOPED AFTER SOME FRENCH-GERMAN CONSULTATION BUT THAT THE GERMANS DO NOT YET KNOW WHERE THIS NEW FRENCH EMPHASIS WILL TAKE THEM. IN OUR DISCUSSIONS HERE, WE EMPHASIZED THAT A THOROUGH STUDY OF NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR THE DC'S AND LDC'S WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE PRIOR TO JULY 7 AND WE EMPHASIZED THAT THE AGREED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE INFCE WE/REBROAD ENOUGH TO INCLUDE ALL RELEVANT ASPECTS OF UTILIZATION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY AS WELL AS NECESSARY NON-PROLIFERATION MEASURES. FRG REPS SIMPLY FELL BACK ON REITERATION THAT INFCE MUST NOT HAVE IMPACT ON CURRENT NUCLEAR PROGRAMS NOR COULD PARTICIPANTS BE COMMITTED TO APPLY RESULTS. IT IS CLEAR THAT ADDITIONAL US-FRG CONSULTATIONS WILL BE REQUIRED AS SOON AS FRENCH HAVE PUT THEIR PROPOSALS IN WRITING.

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